

# Concluding Notes

# Proposals

- Cycle 8 submission is open
- Proposals due no earlier than **19 May 2019** (15:00 UT; **09:00 MDT**)
  - Will be an update no later than 21 April 2020 at <https://almascience.org/>

## Recommendations / considerations:

- Start early in developing your proposal in the OT
  - save early, save often
- If there are any potential questions about feasibility or image fidelity, do simulations and include in proposal  
[https://casaguides.nrao.edu/index.php/Simulating\\_Observations\\_in\\_CASA](https://casaguides.nrao.edu/index.php/Simulating_Observations_in_CASA)
- Proposal evaluations are now dual-anonymous

# NAASC Sources of Support

- **ALMA Helpdesk:** User support is a priority so questions are usually answered within 48 hours (with around the clock staffing in the week leading up to the proposal deadline) - <https://help.almascience.org>
- **Student Observing Support:** Successful ALMA proposals will be invited to apply for up to \$35k to support undergraduate or graduate student involvement - <https://science.nrao.edu/opportunities/student-programs/sos>
- **Page Charges:** Upon request NRAO covers page charges for authors at US institutions when reporting results from ALMA/VLA - <https://library.nrao.edu/pubsup.shtml>
- **Face-to-face Visitor Support (currently virtual only):** Upon request NRAO will cover the travel expenses of up to 2 people from 2 teams per week to come to the NAASC to get support for data reduction, proposal preparation, etc... We also have long term visitor support as well - <https://science.nrao.edu/facilities/alma/visitors-shortterm>
- **ALMA Ambassadors:** You too can become an ALMA Ambassador. For program eligibility visit - <https://science.nrao.edu/facilities/alma/ambassadors-program>



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